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Task Force on Autism Spectrum Disorders April 10, 2006, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Gary Collings, Naomi Swiezy; Liz Freeman-Floyd, Bob Mara, Loui Lord Nelson, Susan Pieples, Cathy Pratt, Ann Schnepf, Lilia Teninty, Sheila Wolfe

1) Welcome

Naomi Swiezy and Gary Collings welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2) Introduction to DDRS Services

Lilia Teninty gave a presentation on the Developmental Disabilities, Autism and Support Services waivers. The presentation included information on services available, total expenditures for each waiver and future trends. The presentation closed with information on state-funded services available through the Bureau of Developmental Disabilities.

3) Networking Lunch

4) Task Force Process

The group discussed ways to move forward and make a positive impact. Several ideas including a survey and web site were discussed. Everyone agreed that the Task Force's process and activities must be available to the public.

5) Wrap-up and Next Steps

Task Force participants were asked to review the list of suggested presentations and group them into large topic areas.